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IN ORIGINAL APPLICATION**

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:  
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only  
one name is listed below) or an original, first joint inventor (if  
plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is  
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the specification of which X is enclosed herewith or    was  
filed on                    as Application Serial No.            and was  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the  
contents of the above identified specification, including the  
claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is  
material to the examination of this application in accordance with  
Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35,  
United States Code, §119 of any foreign applications(s) for patent  
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below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate  
having a filing date before that of the application on which  
priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Applications(s):

COUNTRY                    APPLICATION NUMBER                   

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35 U.S.C.119 YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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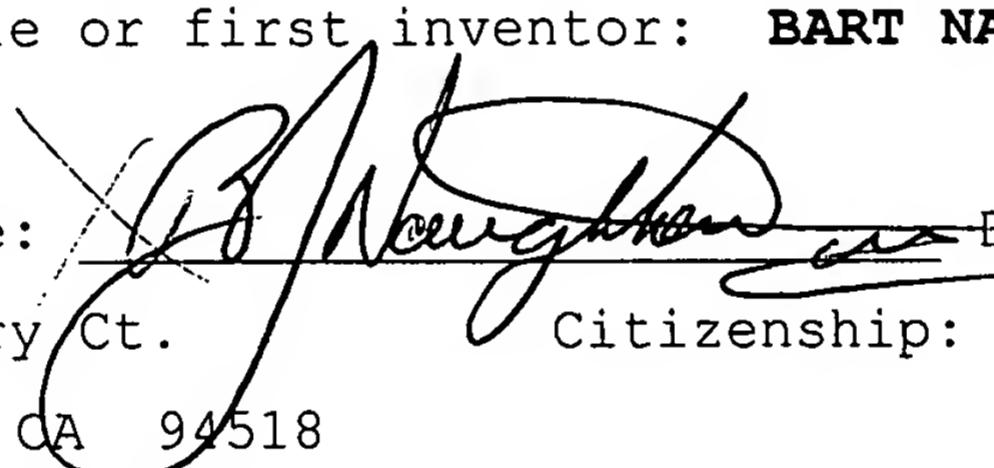
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